

COMNAVAIRLANT INSTRUCTION 3510.3E

Subj: COMMANDER, NAVAL AIR FORCE, U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET (COMNAVAIRLANT)
TACTICAL DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION (TAC D&E) PROGRAM

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5401.6K
(b) NWP-0
(c) TAC D&E Management Guide
(d) OPNAVINST 3500.37B

Encl: (1) COMNAVAIRLANT Tactics Committee (CNALTC) Organization

1. Purpose. To establish the objectives, organization and procedures for the Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (COMNAVAIRLANT) Tactical Development and Evaluation (TAC D&E) program. Due to extensive revision, paragraph markings have been omitted. This instruction should be read in its entirety.

2. Cancellation. COMNAVAIRLANTINST 3510.3D

3. Background. To ensure that naval forces are employed effectively requires continuous evaluation and update of the tactics, techniques and procedures which guide their use. The naval TAC D&E program is a tool that allows the fleet to provide solutions in the form of new or improved tactics for high priority tactical deficiencies. References (a) through (c) define and direct the activities of the TAC D&E program. Reference (a) defines the goals and organization of the naval force's TAC D&E program and establishes the structure for the management of the program. Reference (b) explains the role TAC D&E plays in the evolution of current tactics; the ultimate goal being the development of tactics for eventual incorporation into an appropriate Naval Warfare Publication (NWP). Reference (c) presents the general background, management philosophy and guidance necessary for understanding, planning, coordinating and executing the TAC D&E program. Reference (d) is the Navy Lessons Learned System (NLLS).

4. Discussion. Commander, Naval Doctrine Command (COMNAVDOCCOM) is responsible for coordinating the development of naval doctrine; and, as the Chief of Naval Operations' (CNO) lead command for doctrinal matters, COMNAVDOCCOM will act as TAC D&E program coordinator/steering committee chairman. Comprising the CNO steering committee are voting members: Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (CINCLANTFLT); Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet (CINCPACFLT); Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces, Europe (CINCUSNAVEUR); Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command (COMUSNAVCENT); and non-voting members: Commander, Naval Tactical Support Activity (COMNAVTAUSSACT) (program manager); Commander, Marine Corps Combat Development Command (COMMCCDC); and Commander, Operational Test and Evaluation Force (COMOPTEVFOR). Steering committee members are the primary fleet points of contact and are responsible for the prioritized submission of TAC D&E requests by their cognizant commands. COMNAVAIRLANT will participate as a member of CINCLANTFLT's local steering committee and will be an instrumental voice in the selection process of CINCLANTFLT TAC D&E project recommendations to the CNO steering committee. Once a TAC D&E project has been approved by the CNO TAC D&E steering committee, the cognizant steering committee

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representative will assign commands to act as project manager and Project Contributing Command (PCC). The project manager and PCC will then assume responsibility for the successful completion of the project.

5. Policy. The objective of the COMNAVAIRLANT TAC D&E program is to provide a framework for fleet users to participate in the development and evaluation process to ensure the best tactical employment of weapon systems. COMNAVAIRLANT is normally assigned to act as project manager for air-related projects. COMNAVAIRLANT type wings and type weapons schools are normally designated as PCCs. Requests for any TAC D&E projects shall be submitted per references (a) and (c) with strict adherence to the submission process time line established below. COMNAVAIRLANT is to be included as an information addressee on all official correspondence concerning the project.

SUBMISSION PROCESS TIME LIMIT

MILESTONE	TIME
a. Deficiency identification by all fleet commands	Ongoing
b. Written submission to COMNAVAIRLANT	December
c. COMNAVAIRLANT tactics committee prioritization	Beginning of January
d. CINCLANTFLT TAC D&E committee prioritization	End of January
e. Presentation for CNO TAC D&E steering committee	May

6. Responsibility. The following organizations have the responsibility for identifying, developing and evaluating tactics and tactical products under the TAC D&E program:

a. COMNAVAIRLANT:

(1) Establish and chair the COMNAVAIRLANT Tactics Committee (CNALTC) as the permanent COMNAVAIRLANT TAC D&E organization; the committee will stimulate tactical thought, provide a forum for identification of current tactical deficiencies and proposed improvements, provide a sounding board for new tactical requirements, and collect and prioritize proposed TAC D&E projects. Enclosure (1) identifies the CNALTC organization.

(2) Serve as project manager for carrier/air warfare TAC D&E projects under the cognizance of CINCLANTFLT per references (a) and (c).

(3) Serve as a member of CINCLANTFLT steering committee.

(4) Convene a meeting twice a year of CNALTC members to discuss the status of ongoing projects as well as to stimulate and promote thoughts on future projects.

(5) Serve as a member of the CINCLANTFLT TAC D & E Steering Committee.

(6) Represent Atlantic Fleet aviation-related tactical interests in various Navy forums when appropriate.

b. Members of the CNALTC (enclosure (1)) are directed to:

(1) Vigorously support the TAC D&E program per current directives and references.

(2) Serve as PCC for TAC D&E projects under its cognizance.

(a) The PCC is responsible for developing the tactics being supported by the TAC D&E project per references (a) and (c).

(b) As PCC, interface with NAVTACSUPPACT advising of product/service receipt, acceptability, support and completion.

(3) Submit new TAC D&E project inputs to COMNAVAIRLANT (N7) per references (a) and (c).

(4) Attend and act as a voting member at COMNAVAIRLANT TAC D&E project prioritization meeting.

(5) Attend semiannual CNALTC meetings.

(6) Prepare and publish tactical facts, lessons learned, tactical memoranda and recommended NWP changes per references (a) through (c).
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(7) Maintain close liaison with all applicable service counterparts to share program direction and tactical ideas. Close coordination and joint participation are encouraged in all warfare specialties.

"Signed"
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COMNAVAIRLANT TACTICS COMMITTEE (CNALTC) ORGANIZATION

1. The necessity for integrated tactics and tactical development and the dynamics of modern weapon systems require a new approach by COMNAVAIRLANT to ensure naval air forces are effectively employed. The CNALTC is established as the professional body to accomplish this approach. The CNALTC is designated as the primary TAC D&E organization for COMNAVAIRLANT, while serving as its executive agent for tactics and providing the command a viable, executive tactical organization.

2. Composition and structure of CNALTC:

- a. Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (COMNAVAIRLANT)
Commander, Carrier Groups, Atlantic (COMCARGRUSLANT)
Commander, Carrier Air Wings, Atlantic (COMCARAIRWINGSLANT)
Commander, Airborne Early Warning Wing, Atlantic (COMAEWWINGLANT)
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b. The COMNAVAIRLANT TAC D&E Officer (N7) will chair the committee. In this capacity, he will be assisted by COMNAVAIRLANT Science Advisor (N02X) and COMNAVAIRLANT (N8, N83 and N84).

c. Each CNALTC member will designate, in writing to the CNALTC chairman (N7), one primary and one alternate representative. For continuity purposes and the fact some projects span more than one fiscal year, it is critical to the success of TAC D&E these representatives be changed as infrequently as possible. All representatives must be cleared Secret at a minimum.

3. COMNAVAIRLANT tactics committee will:

- a. Provide COMNAVAIRLANT a central TAC D&E planning and executive tactics organization.
- b. Act as COMNAVAIRLANT executive mechanism for tactics.

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- c. Develop a COMNAVAIRLANT long-range TAC D&E plan.
 - d. Act as agents to stimulate new tactical thought within their warfare communities, stressing the importance of an ongoing, insightful TAC D&E program.
 - e. Serve as the central data gathering source and clearing house for information on tactical development.
4. The following are fundamental guidelines for the convening and operation of CNALTC:
- a. The CNALTC will meet on a semiannual basis at COMNAVAIRLANT for a one-day meeting. The COMNAVAIRLANT TAC D&E (N7) Officer will request agenda items with sufficient lead time for promulgation to all members prior to the meeting. If primary members are unable to attend, alternate representatives will substitute. The status of COMNAVAIRLANT active TAC D&E projects will be briefed by the PCCs at this meeting.
 - b. Invitations will be extended to organizations to speak on subjects of interest to the committee. Members are encouraged to forward recommended topics to COMNAVAIRLANT.